AFN Radio Show Script Wednesday, 6 September 06

Good morning, Sasebo. It's me, Eriko! Let's see what's happening in Sasebo.

Flea Markets

Daito Jusco Flea Market

Tuesday, 12 September 1000-1600

50 stalls. Cancelled if rain.

Dragon Markets

The 74th Dragon Market and The 75th Dragon Market

Sunday, 17 and Monday, 18 September (Respect-for-Aged Day) 1000-1500

Saturday, 28 and Sunday, 29 September 1000-1500

Emukae Culture Center (on Route 204)

This will be held in-door if rain. Y1,800 to participate. There are 40 stalls each day. The Multi-Culture Committee has some left over from the Seaside Festival. I'm thinking to join one of them to sell the leftovers.

Ikoi-no-Toge Flea Market

Saturday, 23 and Sunday, 24 September 1000-1600 Ikoi-no-Toge on Route 202 (Just before you get to the Saikai Bridge)

20 stalls. Cancelled if rain.

Ainoura Hikari Kirisuto-kyo Kyokai (Ainoura Church) Flea Market

Saturday, 30 September

1000-1500

Ainoura Church in the rice paddies in Ainoura-cho

They are looking for the venders and musicians. Please call Nakamura-san at 090-4990-3409 if you are interested in it.

Events:

Ishidake Zoological and Botanical Garden 45th Anniversary Events

The anniversary event won't be held until October. But they are now looking for old photos, paintings and essays about the zoo. Please turn in your works NLT Saturday, 30 September. Your works will be exhibited from Wednesday, 18 to Sunday, 29 October. You can hand carry them, send them, e-mail them to the zoo. FYI, the admission of the zoo is Y400 (adult) and Y100 (child). The phone number there is 0956-28-0011. The tuitions for the following classes are free. You only pay the zoo admission.

Zoo back yard tour

Saturdays, 9 and 23 September

1100-1145

Take a peek of "bedrooms" of lions and elephant. What? Just animals' nests? Come on. Let's get people motivated to visit there.

Bonsai Exhibition and Sale

Saturday, 23 through Monday, 25 September

0900-1700

Funeral for Animals

Saturday, 23 September

1330-1400

To commemorate the "Animal Protection Week," they are holding the memorial service for the late animals in the zoo.

Go to the Camel

Sunday, 24 September

1330-

Go to the camel that spits. Anyway, this is a rare opportunity to see the camels very closely. They only take 30 people to do that. Call the zoo to sign up.

Volunteer Beach Cleaning

Sunday, 10 September

0900-1200

Kashimae Pier Wooden Deck

Each volunteer will get a bottle of water and a holder without exception. After the cleaning, free food and soft drinks are distributed. The local band, "The Soul" that is scheduled to make its debut this month will give their free concert in their home town. You don't have to sign up for this event. Just show up at 0900 at the wooden deck. Speaking of the Kashimae Pier, the 99 Islands' Day is coming up. Please read the number 99 in Japanese. It goes kyu-ju-kyu, nine-ten-nine. Right, September 19th is the 99 Islands' Day!!

99 Islands Festival

Sunday, 17 September Monday, 18 September (Holiday)

Kashimae Pier Wooden Deck

Admission: Free

I hope they have good weather this year. It rained cats and dogs last year.

99 Islands Gochiso (Feast) Fiesta

All the local specialty food is available on both days!

99 Islands Music Fiesta

Sunday, 17 September

1600-1930

1100-2000

1000-1600

99 Islands Fireworks Display

Sunday, 17 September

1940

919 fireworks will be displayed.

Saikai Pearl Sea Resort Summer Campaign "Aso-viva! Kujukushima" New Boats Debuting at the Kashimae Pier!

Till Monday, 18 September (Japanese Holiday)

The 99 Islands Relax-cruise with New Boats, "Starfish" and "Jellyfish"

Starting on Saturday, 15 July (everyday)

Fare: Y2,000 (7th grader and over), Y1,000 (elementary school student)

Schedule: 1120, 1220, 1320, 1420, 1520

Sunset cruise fare: Y2,500 (7th grader and over), Y1,500 (elementary school student)

Schedule: It depends on the sunset

The brand-new 12-passenger pleasure boats take you to the guided, 50 minute-long tour to the 99 islands. Compared with the sightseeing boat, you can see the ocean very close to you and you feel like floating among the islands. You should try it out. Speaking of the new boats, there is another one debuting at the Kashimae Pier:

The Barge "Matsura" Cruise

Saturdays, Sundays, and Japanese Holidays in September and October

Fare and schedule: Details to be arranged personally.

The single scull barges were very common public transportation in the 99 islands until 60s. If you'd like to take a time trip to the 60s, this is the perfect tool to make it happen.

"Kaio," the Pirate Boat Adventure Cruise

Saturdays, Sundays, and Japanese Holidays in September and October

Schedule: 1130, 1330, 1430

Fare: Y1,200 (7th grader and over), Y600 (elementary school student)

You can expect a very exciting 50-minute-long tour with the pirate boat crew. There are a lot of activities and games during the cruise.

Uninhabited Island Adventure Cruise

Saturdays, Sundays, Japanese holidays from Friday, 1 to Monday, 18 September

Fare: Y1,500 (7th grader and over), Y800 (elementary school student)

Schedule: 1030, 1145, 1300, 1415, 1530

You take a small boat that only carries 10 passengers to visit one of the 208 (212?) islands in Kuju-kushima and experience to observe unique sea creatures and feed the fish at the fisheries.

"Pearl Queen" Sunset Cruise

Till Monday, 18 September (time is up to the sunset, please ask at the information desk)

Fare: Y1,500 (7th grader and over), Y800 (elementary school student)

The cruise lasts for about one hour. Oh, don't forget the regular tours (leaving at 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, and 1500 for 50 minutes) are on. The fare for the tour is Y1,200 (7th grader and over), Y600 (elementary school student).

Summer Special Exhibition "Dangerous Sea Creatures"

At the Kashimae Pier Aquarium

Till Monday, 18 September

Looking at the scary and dangerous creatures can cool you off! The admission is included to the one to the Pearl Sea Center. Don't miss it.

Sea Kayaking

Friday, 1 through Monday, 19 September (Saturdays, Sundays, and Japanese holidays)

Fee: Single scull (Y500), Tandem (Y1,000)

Time: 1100-1530 (45 minutes)

Sail Boat Ride

Everyday

Fee: Y2,500 (7th grader and over), Y1,500 (elementary school student)

Schedule: 1110, 1210, 1310, 1410, 1510, 1610 for 50 minutes

"A Little Birdie Told Me" Walking Trips

Friday, 15 September (Cheap Lunch) 1100-1300 Friday, 15 September (Cheap Dinner) 1800-2000

To join the trip, you need to know the password, "Cheep, cheep." FFSC volunteers will guide you to local restaurants where you will have a wonderful time for a minimum price. Please sign up for the trip at 252-3604. We are expecting 5-6 volunteers for each trip. Bring some yen (Y1,000 for lunch, Y2,000 for dinner trip). We are thinking to visit Tempura restaurant or all-you-can-eat organic buffet for dinner. If you are interested in, please sign up.

Sasebo City Bus Festival

Saturday, 16 September 1000-1500

Shimanose Park (next to the Starbucks Coffee)

People who would like to purchase the Nagasaki Smart Card (prepaid card), this is a good chance. The items of lost and found (umbrellas, etc) are for sale.

Mori-no Tudoi (Get together in the Woods)

Sunday, 17 September 1000-1500

Chuo Koen Park (next to the Nakiri Park)

You can enjoy the craft classes for free. The tuition is free. Please bring your lunch and camera.

Onikida Tanada Matsuri (Terraced Rice Paddies Festival)

Saturday, 23 September 1000-1500

Onikida Ground in Hasami-cho

On request, I put this information here. The very unique activities such as scarecrow contest are scheduled.

Industry Festival

Saturday, 23 September 1100-2100 Sunday, 24 September 0900-1500

Shimanose Park (next to the Starbucks Coffee) The display and demonstration of local industries.

The Special Café Opens Only for Two Days in a Year

Saturday, 23 and Sunday, 24 September 1000-1700

Mitsuko-san's home in Hirota-cho

One of the FFSC volunteers, Mitsuko Matsumura is a crafter, too. She helps us translating when you order food at Jusco on ICR field trips. She's planning to have the

4th annual exhibition of her art works at her home. You can taste your favorite tea or coffee with home-made cookies for Y250. You can get freshly picked local grapes for Y50 per 100 grams. There is a map how to get there at FFSC.

Nagasaki Saruku (Strolling, Walking Around) Haku (Festival)

Till Sunday, 19 October

Nagasaki city's population is twice as large as Sasebo's. There are a lot of historical sightseeing spots on the hills, behind the hills, and around the hills. The public transportation can not cover all of them and parking lots are very scarce. The best way to enjoy them effectively is walking. Local volunteers will act as walking tour guides. You may come across very unique cultural and historical spots while you are strolling around. This is a local sightseeing campaign to attract more people to Nagasaki city. Do you know there is "Rikusha" in Nagasaki city. Get the guidebook for free. Very reasonable discount tickets for 30 activities / facilities are in it.

Concert

Sada Masashi and Sada Reiko Charity Talk and Live Show

Thursday, 7 September 1830-

Arkas Sasebo Ticket: Y2,500

To commemorate and celebrate the 30th anniversary, the Sasebo Central Hotel is hosting this charity talk and live show. Sada Masashi is one of the most popular Japanese singer song writers in Japan. He is from Nagasaki city. He is a good story teller and is known as a novelist. He and his younger sister, Reiko are visiting Sasebo! Don't miss it.

EAT Live Concert

Friday, 8 September 2000-

Restaurant "EAT" at the corner of Okazaki restaurant (On Route 35)

Admission: Y500

Local musicians, "High Time," "Silver Cancells," etc are scheduled to perform. Call 0956-24-2884 for more information.

"NANTA" Dinner Show

Thursday, 14 and Friday, 15 September 1900-

ANA Hotel at the Huis Ten Bosch

Y13,000 (including dinner, drink, show, tax and service charge)

"NANTA" means "hit loudly again and again or batter" in Korean language. The story is the cooks work frantically to prepare for a big wedding reception. They throw knives, flying pans, cutting boards, all other utensils to make noise (sound). That's their performance. It's very comical and thrilling, too. Those are real knives. Flying pans are frying away. The very popular kitchen performers are visiting Sasebo! The admission is cheaper than taking a trip to Korea. Don't miss it!

The D'Amici String Quartet Concert

Monday, 18 September (Holiday) 1500-Arkas Sasebo Medium Hall Y3,500 (adult), Y6,000 (pair tickets), Y2,000 (student)

"Amichi" means "friends" in Italian. Four friends play tunes (pieces) of Mozart with the instruments of strings.

Mt. Kunimi Music Festival

Saturday, 23 September (Holiday) 1800-2100

Kunimino-mori-koen (Kunimi Park) next to the Yamanoren Inn in Sechibaru-cho

Admission: Y3,500 (advance ticket) / Y4,500 (regular ticket)

They are celebrating its 20th anniversary! Popular musicians such as Nagai Ryu-un, Kokia, Usamoto Kyoichi, Miyagi Mamoru and Sandy Trip are scheduled to perform.

Lobby Concert

Saturday, 23 September (Holiday) 1400-1500

Arkas Sasebo Koryu Square (1st floor)

Admission: Free

You can enjoy an Opera for free. It's the introduction of the Opera "Let Nozze di Figaro" that is scheduled to come to Sasebo in October. Since it's free, it doesn't hurt you. Stop by and listen to the opera.

Sunset Jazz Inn 2006

Sunday, 8 October

1530-

Y3,000 (adult, advance ticket), Y3,200 (regular)

Y1,900 (middle school and high school student), Y2,000 (regular)

Y900 (4 to elementary school student), Y1,000 (regular)

Ticket includes the admission to Huis Ten Bosch

Orange Park in Huis Ten Bosch

Art Exhibition

Nagamine Isao Artworks Exhibition

Until Sunday, 10 September

Shimanose Art Center

Admission: Free